

**EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF
GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS
ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR
PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 97-9

**GOVERNOR'S HIGHWAY AND TRAFFIC SAFETY
ADVISORY TASK FORCE**

(Supersedes Executive Order 95-9)

Designating a Governor's Highway and Traffic Safety Advisory Task Force to make recommendations on highway safety priorities.

WHEREAS, highway traffic and motor vehicle crashes cause numerous personal injuries and fatalities, and extensive property damage; and

WHEREAS, effective action to improve highway and traffic safety requires the active participation of both the private sector and representatives from all levels of government in the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, there exists an opportunity, based on a high level of public interest in auto and highway safety issues, for various State and local government agencies, in cooperation with concerned citizens groups, to develop a comprehensive highway and traffic safety program to help reduce the costs in lives, human suffering, and property loss associated with motor vehicle crashes in Arizona;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fife Symington, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor by the Constitution and the Laws of the State, hereby order and direct as follows:

1. That a Governor's Highway and Traffic Safety Advisory Task Force be re-established:
 - (a) To work closely with the Legislature, the Governor's Office of Community and Highway Safety, and all public and private organizations to actively support the enactment of permanent and appropriate driver and passenger seat belt and child restraint legislation in the State of Arizona.
 - (b) To encourage the State and its political subdivisions to reduce the incidence of teenage deaths and injury through the increased use of occupant restraints and improved driver licensing standards to reduce speed and/or DUI violations.
 - (c) To cooperate with private and public sector to coordinate state and local campaigns to increase public awareness of traffic safety issues.
 - (d) To promote improved driver training and public high school driver education.

- (e) To achieve more effective driver licensing and driver records and to build support for traffic safety laws.
 - (f) To study all available material, including laws of various states, encouraging all motorcycle and bicycle operators on public streets and highways to wear protective helmets, and to recommend appropriate legislation to the Governor's Office.
2. Review past recommendations of the Governor's Highway and Traffic Safety Advisory Task Force that:
 - (a) Title 28 be revised to make it unlawful for any person who has 0.08 percent blood alcohol content, or more, by weight of alcohol in his/her blood to operate a motor vehicle.
 - (b) To support procedural reform which may be offered to clarify or improve amendments to the DUI laws adopted by previous legislative sessions.
 - (c) State statutes be amended to prohibit children aged 16 years or under from riding in back of an open-bed vehicle where no opportunity for restraint exists, and recommend to the Governor an action plan for implementation of these recommendations.
3. In order for the Task Force to meet this charge, it may:
 - (a) Review available information concerning causes, characteristics, and effects of motor vehicle crashes in Arizona.
 - (b) Evaluate any relevant studies conducted by or for the State of Arizona or any agencies or local jurisdiction of government therein.
 - (c) Examine highway and traffic safety measures now in use or contemplated to be used in Arizona, its counties, cities, and towns.
4. The Task Force membership shall be comprised of:
 - One police chief
 - One county sheriff
 - Three public members
 - A mayor from Maricopa County
 - A mayor from Pima County
 - A representative each from the:
 - Governor's Office of Community and Highway Safety
 - Arizona Department of Public Safety

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- Arizona Department of Insurance
- Arizona Department of Transportation - Motor Vehicle Division
- Mothers Against Drunk Drivers
- Students Against Driving Drunk

In addition, there may be represented as ex-officio members the Chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Arizona House of Representatives, and the Chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Arizona Senate, or their designees specializing in transportation, except that the total number of members shall not exceed fifteen (15).

5. The Chairman of the Task Force shall be designated by the Governor.
6. The Task Force shall submit its recommendations to the Governor by December 31, 1998.
7. The Task Force shall conclude no earlier than November 30, 1998.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

FIFE SYMINGTON
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this Fifteenth day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-first.

ATTEST:

JANE DEE HULL
SECRETARY OF STATE